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For: FLEXIBLE FLUORINE-CONTAINING MATERIAL HAVING HEAT RESISTANCE
AND NON-TACKINESS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action dated May 19, 2003, please consider Applicants' remarks as follows.

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 4,935,467 to Cheng et al. The Examiner cited Cheng et al as teaching a fluorine-containing material, including (a) a multi-segment polymer having an elastomeric segment A and a non-elastomeric segment B; and (b) a fluorine-containing resin meeting each of the terms of the rejected claims.

Claims 1-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 4,487,882 to Ueta et al. Claims 1-14 were also rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being